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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1(Currently amended). A tensioner lever comprising:
an elongated slide rail for sliding engagement with a
traveling, endless, flexible, transmission medium
extending along the direction of elongation of the
slide rail; and

a rail support extending along the direction of
elongation of the slide rail and supporting the
slide rail;

wherein said rail support has a pivoting hole for
mounting on a pivot shaft extending from an engine
block, said pivoting hole having an inner
circumferential surface, and a boss portion
surrounding said pivoting hole, said boss portion
having a seating surface for engagement with an
engine block;

wherein the elongated slide rail and the rail support ~~are~~
integrally have a unitary core, formed of a high-
strength, ~~first polymer~~ glass fiber-reinforced,
polyamide 66 resin;

wherein ~~the~~ said unitary core of the elongated slide rail
and the rail support, ~~including said inner~~
~~circumferential surface of the pivoting hole and~~
~~said seating surface of the boss portion,~~ are is
entirely covered by a wear-resistant covering

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composed of a ~~wear-resistant second polymer~~
polyamide 66 resin;
wherein parts of said wear-resistant covering form the
inner circumferential surface of said pivoting hole
and said seating surface of said boss portion; and
wherein said covering, and the unitary core of said
elongated slide rail, rail and said rail support,
~~and said covering~~ are sandwich molded.

2-4(cancelled).